

EMPLOYE TRAIN IS DISCONTINUED

Alexandrians Working at Potomac Yards Must Use Electric Cars.

R. S. BARRETT HONORED

Elected President of Virginia Press Association at Annual Session at Newport News.

Alexandria, Va., July 17.—The annex train operated by the Washington-Southern Railway Company between this city, Potomac Railroad yards, and Washington for the benefit of railway employees has been discontinued. The taking off of this train has been a serious inconvenience to railroad employees at the yards. It is said to be in line with a policy of retrenchment adopted by the railway company.

There is a jitney bus service being operated now between the yards and Washington for the benefit of the railroad men. Alexandrians, however, employed at the yards have to take electric trains to and from their work. While the employees are endeavoring to have the service restored, it is said there is little likelihood of their efforts meeting with success.

Cecil Tyson, alias William Green, co-accused, wanted in Petersburg, Va., on suspicion of grand larceny, was arrested today by Chief of Police C. T. Good, following the receipt of a telegram from R. F. Rasland, chief of police of Petersburg, and this afternoon was taken to that city by Sergeant Aldridge.

Tyson had been arrested in Richmond for the Petersburg authorities. When turned over to them he made his escape. It is alleged that when he was taken in custody in Richmond pay checks amounting to \$300 were found in his possession. He claimed he had won them at Hopewell, Va., in a craps game. The charge against him is that he picked the pocket of a merchant at that place who was on his way to Petersburg.

Robert S. Barrett, editor of the Alexandria Gazette, today was elected president of the Virginia Press Association, which ended its annual session at Newport News with a banquet.

Mr. Barrett is an active member of the association and was largely instrumental in having the association meet in Alexandria last year. The association amended its constitution to admit District of Columbia newspaper men, and also providing for two annual meetings, one for business in winter and one for pleasure in summer.

Other Alexandrians attending the meeting included W. F. Carne and Alexander J. Weddeburn.

Members of Company G, First Virginia Regiment, better known as the Alexandria Light Infantry, will leave here at 7:30 o'clock Sunday morning for their annual encampment with the State militia at Virginia Beach. Forty members, it is expected, will go, and they will be in command of Capt. W. M. Kent. The Alexandrians will be joined on the road by other companies, which will board the train at Charlottesville and other points. The company will return home next Sunday.

Beginning today, employees of the freight station of the Washington-Southern Railway Company are given half holiday on Saturday. This will continue all during the year, both the receiving and delivery departments closing promptly at 1 o'clock.

Following the open-air services at Christ P. E. Church tomorrow night, which will end at 10 o'clock, an evangelist will be given in the church by Prof. Bagley of Washington, assisted by Mrs. Janet Pickett, of this city, and Ricardo Zappone, of Washington.

C. C. Smoot & Sons Company, Incorporated, has purchased from Mrs. Annie M. Peiton a house and three lots at the northwest corner of Washington and Wilkes streets.

Charles H. Zimmerman has sold to Joseph Hayden two houses and lots known as 216 and 218 North Hoyal street.

A baseball team representing Alva, Tex., No. 871, Fraternal Order of Eagles, this afternoon defeated a team from Fort Meyer by the score of 19 to 6. The Cardinal Athletic Club will go up against the Trinity team of Georgetown at 2:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

THAW'S EMERGENCE AS A FREE MAN—The happy Pittsburgher in his first meal at liberty exemplified his devotion to the water wagon by calling for watermelon and plain water.



Allies Facing Last Chance to Win, Opinion of War Expert

Coming Opportunity Good for Britain, but Will Be Determined by Measure of Her Organizing Ability, London Editor Says.

By JAMES L. GARVIN.

Editor of the Pall Mall Gazette, London, July 17.—Germany's plans in their full extent are now displayed with more clearness than at any previous moment. The chief enemy is opening at last his grand attempt merely to sweep across the whole theater of Eastern Europe, but to envelop and destroy the main part of the Czar's armies, so as to open the path to Turkey and Asia.

This, and this alone, is to be the main feat of his land war. The next few months, even the next few weeks, may possibly be remembered as the most important phase of this Armageddon.

The measure of the allies' success at the end, and above all, of the subsequent position which this empire is to hold in the world, will be determined absolutely by the measure of Britain's organization, exertion, both with regard to material and men, between now and the end of autumn.

We have a second chance, and a glorious one. We will never have a third. This is now gravely understood by every minister in the cabinet, whose members will put away squabbling, quarreling, and red tape to get forward unerringly with the job whereon depends our all.

Next Month Decides.

Germany's hopes for a successful issue are entirely staked upon the events of the next three months. She knows that if she fails in this period to force a grand decision against Russia and the Balkans, she must begin to admit defeat to herself, long and desperately as she would in any case struggle for terms, that she has no chance of ultimate victory.

That chance, as Berlin believes, being the crisis in the east.

It is certain that the scheme for enveloping and destroying the grand duke's central armies, now thrust forward in the salient between East Prussia and Galicia, has been long matured. Happily it is equally certain that the grand duke has long since penetrated the mind of his antagonists that he foresaw the new possibilities and is not to be taken by surprise. The result of the crowning fight for the Polish salient must be awaited during the next two months with absorbing excitement.

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If the grand duke's central armies could be enveloped and destroyed all the rest of the much easier route would undoubtedly be made to sweep to Kiev and the Black Sea, break through the Balkans and join hands with the Turk, now in dire need. It would be desperate, but the Germans know that, whatever their present circumstances, their situation must become desperate unless they do big things soon.

The Russians could retreat for months steadily, strengthening instead of weakening as they went backward until they could turn with crushing strength when the enemy was furthest from his base.

What then? We need not answer the question. If the Germans fail in their summer effort during the next few months or weeks they may fail altogether both by land and sea.

MRS. GUGGENHEIM SUES FOR \$100,000 ALIMONY

Action to Compel Payment by Four Brothers of Spouse Started by First Wife.

New York, July 17.—Mrs. Grace Ward Guggenheim, first wife of William Guggenheim, who divorced him in Chicago in 1901 and started proceedings eight years later to annul the decree on the ground of fraud, filed a suit in the Supreme Court here today. The action is to compel four of her ex-husband's brothers, Isaac, Murray, Solomon, and Senator Simon Guggenheim, of Colorado, to carry out the terms of an agreement by which she was to receive back alimony aggregating \$125,000 and \$500 a month for life. The total sum involved is about \$100,000.

The alleged agreement was dated November 1, 1913, and was drawn up as the result of efforts by the four Guggenheim brothers to put an end to the first Mrs. Guggenheim's litigation in Illinois. At that time it had reached the Supreme Court here, and were expected against parties involved when the divorce decree, declared conclusive by the Illinois court, was obtained.

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